

**UTAH AIR QUALITY BOARD MEETING**  
**February 27, 2013 – 1:30 p.m.**  
**195 North 1950 West, Room 1015**  
**Salt Lake City, Utah 84116**

**FINAL MINUTES**

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**I. Call-to-Order**

Steve Sands called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Board members present: Nan Bunker, Kathy Van Dame, Steve Sands, Joel Elstein, Kerry Kelly, Robert Paine, Dale Ipson, Michael Smith, Darrell Smith, and Craig Petersen (attendance by telephone)

Excused: Amanda Smith

Executive Secretary: Bryce Bird

**II. Date of the Next Air Quality Board Meeting: Pending**

**III. Approval of the Minutes for February 6, 2013, Board Meeting.**

Ms. Kelly asked staff to review the language in paragraph four on page two of the minutes be reworded to better explain pollution getting trapped.

- Nan Bunker moved to approve the minutes with the corrections by staff. Joel Elstein seconded. The Board approved unanimously.

**IV. Final Adoption: R307-353. Plastic Parts Coatings. Presented by Mark Berger.**

Mark Berger, Environmental Planning Consultant at DAQ, stated the purpose of this rule is to limit volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions from the application of coatings to any plastic product. This rule was originally proposed for public comment on September 5, 2012, and again on December 5, 2012. During the public comment period, no public comments were received. However, staff identified certain areas of the rule that needed clarification. The changes in this version of the rule are primarily to clarify the rule applicability. Of note, the applicability section of the rule has been modified to state that the rule applies specifically to plastic parts coatings operations and also a definition for plastic has been added. Staff recommends the Board adopt R307-353, Plastic Parts Coatings, as amended.

In discussion, it was proposed that the as of date listed in the applicability section of the rule for existing and new sources in Box Elder and Tooele Counties needs to be corrected from February 1, 2013, to May 1, 2013.

- Joel Elstein moved that the Board adopt R307-353, Plastic Parts Coatings, as amended. Craig Petersen seconded. The Board approved unanimously.

**V. Final Adoption: R307-343. Emissions Standards for Wood Furniture Manufacturing Operations. Presented by Mark Berger.**

Mark Berger, Environmental Planning Consultant at DAQ, stated that the purpose of this rule is to limit the emissions of VOC from coatings operations. This rule was originally proposed for public comment on September 5, 2012, and proposed again on December 5, 2012. During the last public comment period, no public comments were received. However, upon further internal review staff discovered necessary minor changes. The most important change is that previously the rule had listed sources in Tooele County as sources that the rule applied to. However, the rule did not give these sources a compliance schedule so they would have been required to be in compliance upon the effective date of this rule. To correct the required compliance date for these sources, Tooele County was added to the compliance schedule section which lists a compliance date of January 1, 2014. Staff recommends the Board adopt R307-343, Emissions Standards for Wood Furniture Manufacturing Operations, as amended.

- Kathy Van Dame moved for final adoption of R307-343, Emissions Standards for Wood Furniture Manufacturing Operations. Joel Elstein seconded. The Board approved unanimously.

**VI. Informational Items.**

**A. PM2.5 State Implementation Plan Update and Discussion. Presented by Bill Reiss.**

Bill Reiss, Environmental Engineer at DAQ, updated that currently an inspection and maintenance (I/M) program is a pending control strategy for the Cache County state implementation plan (SIP). Mr. Petersen added that current state code exempted vehicles from being tested for only the first two years. Legislation is being proposed to change state code to allow counties with a new I/M program to work with DAQ and jointly agree on a testing schedule. The proposed ordinance which the Cache County Council is contemplating would exempt new vehicles for six years. Mr. Reiss summarized that the Wasatch Front SIPs are still not showing attainment but staff is working on finding additional reductions in emissions to demonstrate attainment in a timely way.

**B. Employer-Based Trip Reduction Program. Presented by Glade Sowards.**

Glade Sowards, Environmental Engineer at DAQ, explained that the employer-based trip reduction (EBTR) program is a potential emissions reductions strategy for the two Wasatch Front PM<sub>2.5</sub> nonattainment areas. It may also be beneficial in the Cache County nonattainment area as a compliment to the control measures already in that SIP. EBTR programs can be either voluntary or mandatory and are typically a collection of multiple trip and travel reduction measures. Under existing state code the Board is authorized to implement EBTR programs. Mr. Sowards also reviewed other states' EBTR programs and common components were identified. DAQ plans to convene a series of stakeholder meetings to evaluate current commuting and trip reduction practices in Utah bringing together EBTR experts to develop recommendations for potential rule revisions and/or creation of an updated EBTR program in Utah.

- C. Air Toxics. Presented by Robert Ford.**
- D. Compliance. Presented by Jay Morris and Harold Burge.**
- E. Monitoring. Presented by Neal Olson.**

Neal Olson, Environmental Scientist at DAQ, updated the Board and answered questions on the monitoring graphs, which included graphs of particulate data from the Uintah Basin and separate ozone graphs for the monitoring site areas as requested previously by the Board. It was noted that the ozone winter study final report was just released this month. The final compilation of this year's ozone winter study will be about a year away. Currently, a study for the next winter season is not planned due to funding. DAQ maintains the Vernal and Roosevelt monitor sites and will continue to monitor those areas.

**F. Other Items to be Brought Before the Board.**

Ms. Van Dame updated the Board on House Bill 96, Cleaner Burning Fuels Tax Credits Amendments and Related Funding, sponsored by Representative Jack Draxler. An analysis on the bill presented to the committee showed \$1.1 million was spent on the program in 2011 and the actual pollutants reduction was just over a ton. One reason for a low benefit is that the bill allows a \$2,500 incentive for importing a used vehicle that could be 10 years old whereas a new natural gas vehicle, originally manufactured, would be much cleaner. In addition, the incentive for electric vehicles is \$650. Representative V. Lowry Snow proposed House Bill 97, Clean Fuel Vehicle Tax Credit Modifications, which Ms. Van Dame feels is superior to H.B. 96. This rule would only give an incentive to new natural gas vehicles and electric vehicles and natural gas vehicles would get about a \$3,000 incentive.

Ms. Van Dame suggested that an agenda item, Director's Report, be added to future Board agendas where Board members would be invited to submit questions to the Director prior to a Board meeting. The Director would respond to those questions in a more formal setting at a Board meeting.

**VI. Recognition of Outgoing Board Members.**

At the end of February 2013 the current Air Quality Board member terms expire and a new nine member Board will be appointed after Senate approval. Executive Secretary, Bryce Bird, thanked the current Board for their time and effort in representing the constituents and citizens of the state as an entity making rules, developing policy, and moving forward air quality improvements in the state.

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Meeting was adjourned at 2:28 p.m.

Minutes approved: May 1, 2013